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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8239

INFO AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA PRIORITY

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AMEMBASSY NAIROBI PRIORITY

AMCONSUL BUKAVU PRIORITY

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E.O.11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC (SMUTS, BARBARA AND KENNETH SMITH AND CARRIE
HUNTER)

SUBJECT: W/W THREE KIDNAPPED AMERICANS

1. EMBASSY CONSULAR OFFICER SPOKE BY TELEPHONE WITH SUPER-
INTENDENT OF POLICE CHUBWA IN KIGOMA AT 0530 GMT, MAY 22.
CHUBWA CONFIRMED THAT MOST, IF NOT ALL, REMAINING STUDENTS
ARRIVED IN KIGOMA AFTERNOON OF MAY 21. DR. GOODALL HAS NOT
RETURNED TO KIGOMA.

2. CHUBWA PROMISED TO LOCATE A SPOKESMAN FOR THE STANFORD
GROUP AND PROVIDE A TELEPHONE SO THAT THE CONSULAR OFFICER
WOULD BE ABLE TO ASCERTAIN THEIR PLANS FOR FURTHER TRAVEL
AND DETERMINE IF ANY ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED. WE WILL ALSO TRY TO
GET COMPLETE LIST OF ALL WHO WERE AT GOMBE NIGHT OF INCIDENT
(NAMES, NATIONALITY ETC.).

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3. DR. DAVID HAMBURG OF STANFORD CALLED CONOFF AT 0615 GMT

AND WAS GIVEN ABOVE INFORMATION AND CONTENTS OF LOCAL PRESS COVERAGE (SEPTTEL). HE CONCERNED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO RPT NO CABLES FROM STUDENTS OR STAFF AT GOMBE SINCE INCIDENT. HE CONCERNED ABOUT LACK OF CABLES BACAUSE STAFF AND STUDENTS HAVE BEEN PROLIFIC USERS OF CABLE TRAFFIC OVER MINOR AND MAJOR PROBLEMS IN THE PAST AND WONDERED IF LOCAL OFFICIALS MAY HAVE DENIED ACCESS TO FACILITIES. CONOFF INDICATED THAT HE HAD NO INFO IN THAT REGARD BUT THAT OTHERS IN KIGOMA HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TELEPHONE THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AND THAT THE CONSUL HAS BEEN ABLE TELEPHONE PEOPLE IN KIGOMA WITHOUT DIFFICULTY. KIGOMA IS NOT EASIEST PLACE TO GET MESSAGES TO AND FROM BUT SO FAR WE ARE MANAGING AND, AS IS APPARENT, TANGOV IS COOPERATING.

4. CONSUL MACFARLANE AND ECONOMIC OFFICER LUCIUS ARE EXPECTED ARRIVE KIGOMA LATER THIS MORNING (MAY 22).

5. FYI: WE HAVE TRIED TO KEEP AMCONSUL BUKAVU INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS GOMBE INCIDENT BY E&E RADIO. END FYI.

6. DECONTROL ON RECEIPT.
CARTER

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